

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

1. PLACE OF DEATH

County Demiseot Registration District No. 631 File No. 2013
 Township Caruthersville Primary Registration District No. 4988 Registered No. 31
 City Caruthersville (No.) St. Ward

2. FULL NAME

Mrs. Denton
 (a) Residence. No. St. Ward.
 (Usual place of abode)

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred yrs. mos. ds. How long in U.S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX Female 4. COLOR OR RACE White 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word) married

5A. IF MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED HUSBAND OF (OR) WIFE OF J. D. Denton

6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR)

7. AGE 65 YEARS 9 MONTHS 23 DAYS If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.

8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED Housewife

(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work
 (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)
 (c) Name of employer

9. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) Nashville
 (STATE OR COUNTRY) Tenn

10. NAME OF FATHER A. Dendrey

11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN) Nashville
 (STATE OR COUNTRY) Tenn

12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Mrs. Stults

13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN) Tenn
 (STATE OR COUNTRY)

14. INFORMANT Dr. W. H. Denton
 (Address) Caruthersville Mo.

15. FILED Feb 13 1923 Ada Martin
 REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Jan 23 1923

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from Dec 1 1922 to Jan 23 1923
 that I last saw him alive on Jan 23 1923, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 7 a.m.

THE CAUSE OF DEATH* WAS AS FOLLOWS:

Chronic Appendicitis
with complications
 (duration) yrs. 3 mos. 10 ds.

CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) (duration) yrs. mos. ds.

18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED
 IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH? yes

DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? yes DATE OF Jan 8-23

WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? no

WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS? yes

(Signed) W. H. Denton M. D.
Jan 26, 1923 (Address) Caruthersville Mo.

*State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, or in deaths from VIOLENT CAUSES, state (1) MEANS AND NATURE OF INJURY, and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL, or HOMICIDAL. (See reverse side for additional space.)

19. PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL Caruthersville Mo. DATE OF BURIAL Jan. 24, 1923

20. UNDERTAKER A. Lewis ADDRESS Caruthersville Mo.

Revised United States Standard Certificate of Death

(Approved by U. S. Census and American Public Health Association.)

Statement of Occupation.—Precise statement of occupation is very important, so that the relative healthfulness of various pursuits can be known. The question applies to each and every person, irrespective of age. For many occupations a single word or term on the first line will be sufficient, e. g., *Farmer or Planter, Physician, Compositor, Architect, Locomotive Engineer, Civil Engineer, Stationary Fireman*, etc. But in many cases, especially in industrial employments, it is necessary to know (a) the kind of work and also (b) the nature of the business or industry, and therefore an additional line is provided for the latter statement; it should be used only when needed. As examples: (a) *Spinner*, (b) *Cotton mill*; (a) *Salesman*, (b) *Grocery*; (a) *Foreman*, (b) *Automobile factory*. The material worked on may form part of the second statement. Never return "Laborer," "Foreman," "Manager," "Dealer," etc., without more precise specification, as *Day laborer, Farm laborer, Laborer—Coal mine*, etc. Women at home, who are engaged in the duties of the household only (not paid *Housekeepers* who receive a definite salary), may be entered as *Housewife, Housework or At home*, and children, not gainfully employed, as *At school or At home*. Care should be taken to report specifically the occupations of persons engaged in domestic service for wages, as *Servant, Cook, Housemaid*, etc. If the occupation has been changed or given up on account of the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, state occupation at beginning of illness. If retired from business, that fact may be indicated thus: *Farmer (retired, 6 yrs.)* For persons who have no occupation whatever, write *None*.

Statement of Cause of Death.—Name, first, the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH (the primary affection with respect to time and causation), using always the same accepted term for the same disease. Examples: *Cerebrospinal fever* (the only definite synonym is "Epidemic cerebrospinal meningitis"); *Diphtheria* (avoid use of "Croup"); *Typhoid fever* (never report

"Typhoid pneumonia"); *Lobar pneumonia; Bronchopneumonia* ("Pneumonia," unqualified, is indefinite); *Tuberculosis of lungs, meninges, peritoneum*, etc., *Carcinoma, Sarcoma*, etc., of..... (name origin; "Cancer" is less definite; avoid use of "Tumor" for malignant neoplasma); *Measles, Whooping cough; Chronic valvular heart disease; Chronic interstitial nephritis*, etc. The contributory (secondary or intercurrent) affection need not be stated unless important. Example: *Measles* (disease causing death), 29 ds.; *Bronchopneumonia* (secondary), 10 ds. Never report mere symptoms or terminal conditions, such as "Asthenia," "Anemia" (merely symptomatic), "Atrophy," "Collapse," "Coma," "Convulsions," "Debility" ("Congenital," "Senile," etc.), "Dropsy," "Exhaustion," "Heart failure," "Hemorrhage," "Inanition," "Marasmus," "Old age," "Shock," "Uremia," "Weakness," etc., when a definite disease can be ascertained as the cause. Always qualify all diseases resulting from childbirth or miscarriage, as "PUERPERAL septicemia," "PUERPERAL peritonitis," etc. State cause for which surgical operation was undertaken. For VIOLENT DEATHS state MEANS OF INJURY and qualify as ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL, or HOMICIDAL, or as probably such, if impossible to determine definitely. Examples: *Accidental drowning; struck by railway train—accident; Revolver wound of head—homicide. Poisoned by carbolic acid—probably suicide*. The nature of the injury, as fracture of skull, and consequences (e. g., *sepsis, tetanus*), may be stated under the head of "Contributory." (Recommendations on statement of cause of death approved by Committee on Nomenclature of the American Medical Association.)

NOTE.—Individual offices may add to above list of undesirable terms and refuse to accept certificates containing them. Thus the form in use in New York City states: "Certificate, will be returned for additional information which give any of the following diseases, without explanation, as the sole cause of death: Abortion, cellulitis, childbirth, convulsions, hemorrhage, gangrene, gastritis, erysipelas, meningitis, miscarriage, necrosis, peritonitis, phlebitis, pyemia, septicemia, tetanus." But general adoption of the minimum list suggested will work vast improvement, and its scope can be extended at a later date.

ADDITIONAL SPACE FOR FURTHER STATEMENTS
BY PHYSICIAN.

STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

1 PLACE OF DEATH
County Pemiscot State MISSOURI 651 Registered No. _____
Township _____ or Village 4388 _____ or
City Cynthiana No. _____ St. _____ Ward _____
(If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number)

2 FULL NAME Mrs. Denton

(a) Residence, No. _____ St., _____ Ward. _____
(Usual place of abode) (If nonresident give city or town and State)
Length of residence in city or town where death occurred yrs. mos. ds. How long in U. S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

3 SEX 7 4 COLOR OR RACE W 5 SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED (write the word) m 16 DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year) Jan 23 1923

5a If married, widowed, or divorced
HUSBAND of
(or) WIFE of

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from

6 DATE OF BIRTH (month, day, and year) May 29, 1888

7 AGE Years _____ Months _____ Days _____ If LESS than 1 day, _____ hrs. _____ min.

that I last saw h. _____ alive on _____, 19____.

and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at _____ m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:

8 OCCUPATION OF DECEASED

(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work _____

(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) _____

(c) Name of employer _____

CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) _____

9 BIRTHPLACE (city or town) _____
(State or country)

(duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

18 Where was disease contracted _____

if not at place of death? _____

Did an operation precede death? _____ Date of _____

Was there an autopsy? _____

What test confirmed diagnosis? _____

(Signed) _____, M. D.

, 19 _____ (Address)

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